Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 7-8 and 10-29 are pending in this application. Claim 9 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 7, 13, 19, 20, 23 and 27 are amended. A substitute specification is submitted, together with a redline showing changes. Substitute Figures 1-5 are submitted.

Based on the above amendments and the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn.

Objection to the Specification

A second substitute specification is submitted, to address the various informalities noted in the office action, and to correspond to the reference numerals in the figures. No new matter has been added.

Replacement Drawings

Replacement Figures 1-5 are submitted, with the reference numerals added.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The proposed amendments to the specification and claims address the various informalities and section 112 issues noted in the office action, as discussed by telephone with the Examiner. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and the objections is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicant believes that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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